



FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION

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✓ Tom Long

Thomas Long
o/b/o Tom Long for RPV City Council

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Robert V. Equals

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**Re: In the Matter of Tom Long, Tom Long for RPV City Council,
Robert V. Equals (Treasurer); Douglas Stern, Re-Elect Stern – 2007;
Palos Verdes on the Net
FPPC No. 07/764**

Dear Mr. Long, Tom Long for RPV City Council, and Mr. Equals:

The Fair Political Practices Commission (the "Commission") enforces the provisions of the Political Reform Act (the "Act")¹ found in California Government Code Section 81000 and following. On November 16, 2007, the Commission received a complaint alleging violations of the campaign disclosure provisions of the Act regarding Tom Long's re-election campaign for Rancho Palos Verdes (RPV) City Council in the November 6, 2007 election.

Based on our review and investigation, we determined that you: 1) did not receive expenditures or non-monetary contributions from Palos Verdes on the Net (PVNET) because PVNET's website and email services were offered to all candidates for RPV City Council; 2) did not receive reportable expenditures or non-monetary contributions as defined in the Act from the City of Rancho Palos Verdes toward Mr. Long's 2007 re-election campaign.

¹The Political Reform Act is contained in Government Code Sections 81000 through 91014. All statutory references are to the Government Code, unless otherwise indicated. The regulations of the Fair Political Practices Commission are contained in Sections 18110 through 18997 of Title 2 of the California Code of Regulations. All regulatory references are to Title 2, Division 6 of the California Code of Regulations, unless otherwise indicated.

Therefore, we have determined that you did not violate the Act, and our file in this matter has been closed.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact me at 916-322-5660.

Sincerely,

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Angela J. Brereton
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